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Editorial Comment

TRUMAN SUSTAINED

Most of us dislike to pay taxes, yet by and large we realize that we get as much for our tax dollar as any other dollar we spend.

The Times-Virginian has hoped that ways might be found to reduce the Federal budget and the Federal debt. We find it hard to think in terms of BILLIONS. All of those labor for Federal economy have our support, although we do not go so far as penny-pinching on human needs when the vast wealth of this nation is considered. This is a multi-billion dollar nation. It can spend vast sums, safely. But the money should be wisely spent — and not wasted. True economy lies in using funds available to best advantage of all the people.

We saw no common sense in the Republican effort to cut taxes during the current session of Congress. We agreed, in principle, with the Republican drive to slice all sgms possible off Federal spending, but we had hoped that every dollar so saved would be applied to payment on the national debt.

A "token" payment of one or two billions on the national debt is NOT ENOUGH. Our goal should be to cut the debt by BIG CHUNKS! The debt is some 268 BILLIONS! Interest alone is a fabulous sum. Before another depression hits we should aim at cutting the debt to below 200 billions. The international situation is such that we should get the debt down QUICKLY, so another war won't wipe us out financially, even if we win a military victory.

This paper would favor fixing a tax structure so that at least ten billions a year could be cut off the principal of the Federal debt, for such time as business conditions kin to those of the present exist.

Better to pay that debt with the boom-time "easy" dollars than with "hard" depression dollars. The time to pay yourself out of debt is when you have the money ... then when times get tight, you can borrow again.

We do not pose as an authority on the Federal tax structure. We do not presume to say that taxes are equitably apportioned. For all we know, a new tax bill should be written. Big what business experience we have had convinces us of the wisdom of paying on your debts and carefully guarding your credit position. An individual who dared to deliberately reduce his income and weaken his ability to carry interest and principal curtailment on a staggering debt, would be critized by his creditors and neighbors. Until we can make a very substancial reduction in our national debt, or until we can truly show that we just don't have the money, we can well keep Federal receipts at a high figure and pay off what we owe.

Politicians who figure they will court favor in future election by cutting taxes, misjudge the American people. Traditionally, we like to pay our debts, and are nervous when heavy unpaid bills hang over our heads.

WITH OTHER EDITORS

END OF THE BRITISH RAJ

(From New York Times)

A turgid stream of history rolled back into the past when Britain ended her long rule over India with a solemn ceremony in the royal robing room of the House of Lords last Friday. There the peers of the realm, wearing their robes of scarlet and ermine and the cocked hats of another century, gathered before the woolsack and the mace to receive King George's assent to the Indian Independence Bill "by the King himself, signed with his own hand."

No more than a picturesque formality, it nevertheless marked one of the most momentous events of modern times. From the day of Alexander the Great the vast subcontinent has been swept by conqueror after conqueror—Timur, Babur, the founders of the Mogul Empire, and at last the submerging tide from Europe. Each for their own interest alone, the Portuguese, the Dutch, the French and the British struggled to control that tide. It was the British East India Company, with its brilliant viceroys, its Clive and Warren Hastings, that finally won India for the British Crown, the furious Sepoy rebellion of 1857, was the last gasp of organized native resistance until the mass movement of our own time. Thenceforth India was British domain with Victoria as its first Empress.

It is hard even now to free our minds of Victoria's India. Kipling made it one of the potent traditions of our literature with his rollicking Soldiers Three, Mulvaney, Orthertis, Learoyd, his immortal Kim, his stately procesions, his border raiders, his devoted civil service and his persuasive propaganda of loyal content in the midst of squalor and poverty. Kipling's India never existed in India. Victoria's India could not last. Throughout this century the Recessional has been sounding, faintly after the First World War, but in rising tones of thunder ever since. Now there will be no more Dunbars with their false show of homage. An Emperor of India no longer rules in London. Victoria's greatgrandson has cast aside that empty title. The British Raj is dead.

What will take its place? The prophets are silent. Two nations are struggling to rise from the old subjection with all the help Britain can give them. Pakistan and Hindustan may for a time remain within the British Commonwealth, but Britain will have no say in the matter. Both are independent and sovereign. By Aug. 15 the last British flag will be furled. Time alone will tell how the new nations fare. Time alone can assess what seeds of order, justice and organization the British have left with them. The future is still clouded, but for the first time in twenty-two centuries the teeming millions of India can see the sun of freedom shining through.

QUESTION

(St. Louis Post-Dispatch)

Monkeys in Chicago's Lincoln Park Zoo were made very unhappy when the front of their cage was covered with a patented glass which they couldn't see through, though zoo visitors could see them. Well, what is the point of making a monkey of yourself if nobody can see you do it?

"COME AND GET IT"

(Christian Science Monitor)

General Eisenhower, with characteristic modesty, would like to be remembered as "the Chief of Staff who did something about the Army's cooking." Whatever history may think of this accomplishment, it should enshrine General Ike in the hearts of millions of his countrymenif the way to a man's heart is through his stomach.

Yet is should do more than make the General a hero to the chowhounds. It should make universal military training more palatable to the citizenry. No longer need the doleful draftee learning the meaning of "mess" by gagging on something called "stew" with a hunk of soggy bread pudding slapped unceremoniously in its midst.

An army marches on its stomach said Napoleon. Then watch this Army go!

WORSE AND BETTER

Manchester (Eng.) Guardian

Nothing but time can allay the passions and suspicions left by the war, and it is the task of diplomacy to create an atmosphere of mutual understanding in which the politics of the world can be rescued from their arbitrary power. It is a difficult task demanding candor, patience, good temper, and tolerance. In every respect but one we are worse off than we were in 1919. The material plight of the world was then less desperate; the clash of ideologies was less direct; the demoralization due to the spectacle of successful lawlessness less widespread; political confusion was less general. On the other hand, the sense of danger is much more alive, and we understand today, as we did not then, the kind of catastrophe that must follow failure.

CHEAP MONEY

Vancouver (B.C.) Daily Province

.....One very sound way of looking at cheap money is to regard it as something full of menace that will catch us if we don't watch out. .....You only have to go into your nerest store to realize that there is still more money than goods. .... The disproportion between goods and money is great.....

The word over all in this condition is, of course, "inflation," and the point is that we are most of us for all our occasional doubts and fears, apt to be too complacent about inflation.

It would be wholesome for us if we more often reminded ourselves that cheap money is a chancy thing, that it is easier to have a lot of money than a lot of goods, and that the last, worst possibility of inflation is that you may have more money than you thought there could be—and not have enough bread to keep you from hunger.

Mrs. Roosevelt backs Marshall loan plans.

Russian "delay" seen in leaving Hungary.

Expansion of social security is sought, but see little chance at the present session of Congress.

"GAY GADGETS"

Associated Newspapers—WNU Features.

By NANCY PEPPER

Gentlemen of the Jury

Well, do you or don't you dress for the men in your life? Don't bother to answer because we wouldn't believe you if you said "No," anyway. Just to make it easier for you to please your best friends and severest critics, they're having juries at high-school bars at lots of the teen-age summer style shows now being held around the country. We attended one in Minneapolis recently, and here's the verdict as pronounced by a jury of crew-cut connoisseurs.

Bolder Shoulders — They like blouses and dresses with flattering angel-face necklines. They considered the "Cold Shoulder" dresses (with one shoulder off and one shoulder on, pleasantly disturbing to their peace-of-mind.

Bare to Midriff—Of all the bathing suits and play suits, they voted for the midriff styles. That's where you agree, isn't it?

Fluff Stuff—When it comes to formals, they prefer them fluffy as cream puffs. It's the girls in swirls of net that get their vote—and their cut-ins, everytime.

Long and Loose—That's the way they like your hair with summer clothes. Maybe it's worth the hours you spend tossing on curlers, after all.

Briefer the Better—They thumbed down on pedal pushers; they thumbed up on short shorts. They approved one-piece play suits with separate skirts because they were suitable for so many occasions. Well, you'll wear the playsuits; let them provide the occasions.

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Summer Seasoning

I love Hot Dogs right off the griddle,
With Goo on top and in the middle;
Hamburger, rare and oozing juices,
My hearty appetite seduces.
Marshmallows, succulently toasted,
And Buttered Corn, so freshly roasted;
Potato Salad, Soda Pop—
I never do know when to stop.
I wonder—would they be as grand
Unmixed with dirt and bugs and sand?

Minute Make-Ups

By GABRIELLE

If your skin is very dry from summer heat try oiling it under your makeup foundation. A fingertip of oil, smoothed on the skin, then this gives a lovely sheen and softens dry, taut skin.

Ledger Syndicate—WNU Features.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

Wisdom and Understanding For Our Daily Living

LESSON TEXT FOR JULY 27—Proverbs 1:1-6; 3:13-18; 9:9, 10; James 1:5.

MEMORY SELECTION—Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding.—Proverbs 4:7.

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BY HAROLD L. LUNDQUIST, D. D.
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EDUCATION is so widespread in our day, and so eagerly sought after, that one might assume that the world would soon solve its problems through the cultural attainments of its people.

Why this is not true appears clearly in our lesson: for it is wisdom that the world needs, and wisdom is quite different from the understanding or memorizing of a mass of facts.

Wisdom teaches us how to use knowledge effectively for the glory of God. We see in our lesson:

I. The Meaning of Wisdom (Prov. 1:1-6).

PROVERBS are pithy, useful sayings, which gather up the wisdom of a people in easily remembered form. They are highly thought of in all nations, but reached their highest development among the Hebrews, because they rightly insisted that they must be related to God and worship of him.

We learn in this passage that they are given to us that we may "know" that we have both wisdom and instruction. The growth of knowledge is always a prerequisite to growth in grace—learn more about God and his precious Word, and you will have more of his grace upon you.

Knowledge must be coupled with discernment (v. 2), which speaks of going beyond and below the surface meaning. This will not be an abstract love of the scholarly, but a practical application of truth to life (v. 3). Wisdom results in right living and proper dealing with our neighbors.

The one who has come to this place is ready to give (v. 4) to others, especially to the young or those of "simple" thinking, who have not yet reached the place where they can get hold of such things for themselves.

Notice that the wise man does not stop at that point, but because he is wise he goes on to more and more understandings, to further receiving and giving out of "sound counsels" (v. 5).

Observe next,

II. The Value of Wisdom (Prov. 3:13-18).

THE character of a man shows up in the things he holds to be valuable. Some cannot see beyond gold and silver. Others seek comfort and convenience, and do not wish to be disturbed in their easy ways.

The wise man knows that for real pleasure of the highest type, for peace of mind and heart, for riches that will last and not bring sin into either sin or sorrow, there is nothing like the cultivation of understanding and wisdom.

This scripture affords us the opportunity to say a needed word to young people who are being so sorely tempted these days to forego their opportunities for an education, and to rush out into the world to make money, more money, yes, the most possible money.

Education seems to be unnecessary, a waste of time and effort. But wait, the years will come and go, and then when it is too late, the realization will come that a golden opportunity was missed, and that doors of usefulness and effectiveness are now closed.

It pays to give time to the cultivation of the mind and of the heart in preparation for life. We are not thinking primarily of the dollars and cents value now, for that is secondary, even though it may be important.

III. The Source of Wisdom (Prov. 9:9, 10; James 1:5).

GOD is the source of wisdom, and it is as a man fears him that he becomes wise. The fear of God is not a matter of fright or terror, but rather a genuine concern that we may do his will and never fail to be obedient to his guidance.

God is always more ready to give than we are to receive. He will not turn us aside, or belittle our efforts; but will, if we ask, give wisdom, and that in no little measure.

Let no man think that he can attain unto true wisdom apart from a right relationship to God. He may have knowledge, but not wisdom. On the other hand, let no man who knows God and serves him go through life lacking wisdom when all he has to do is to ask it of his heavenly Father. Why be poverty-stricken when you can be rich in wisdom and understanding?

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TAKE MY WORD FOR IT!

By FRANK COLBY
Bell Syndicate.—WNU Features.

WHAT'S THE ORIGIN?

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Q. I've never understood why hamburgers are made from beef and not ham. Please explain.—J. L.

A. There is no ham in a hamburger for a very good reason. However, to the average American the word hamburger appears to be derived from ham plus burger, "a pat of finely ground and cooked meat or other food placed between the halves of a bun." For this reason we see such strange combinations as "cheeseburgers, rabbit-burgers," and even "oysterburgers."

However, Hamburger (note the capital "H") literally means "of, from, or pertaining to Hamburg, Germany; a native of the city of Hamburg." And Hamburg was not named for ham, the meat. Its original name was Hammaburg, from the now obsolete German word Hamm, "forest," plus Burg. "city; fortified place or town."

Originally, in English and American usage, the pat of ground, cooked meat was called Hamburg steak. Later, in America, when the Hamburg steak was reduced in size and placed between the halves of a bun, it was known first as a Hamburg sandwich, and, finally as a hamburger.

Likewise, the American term "wienie" is a corruption of wienerwurst, from the German Wiener, "of Vienna" (the German for Vienna is "Wien"), plus Wurst, "sausage."

As I explained a few weeks ago, an unknown sportswriter named the wienerwurst sandwich "hot dog," implying humorously that the sausage was made of ground dog meat.

The dictionaries list hot dog as slang; but the term is good and proper American nevertheless.

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Wichita Falls: Please clarify the proper use of "appreciate." It runs me the wrong way to hear somebody say, "I'll appreciate it," when they mean "I'll be grateful."—J. E.

Answer: The primary meaning of appreciate is, "to judge with respect to value." Also, "to raise in value of," the opposite of depreciate.

As to the use of appreciate in the meaning of "to be grateful for," purists have fought it bitterly for years. But it is so well established in modern usage that it cannot be held as incorrect.

Indeed, Webster's New International, Second Edition, gives to appreciate this specific definition, "to be grateful for; as, I appreciate the gift and the sentiment that prompted it."

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St. Paul: Please discuss the pronunciation of the word secretive.—B. G. R.

Answer: All dictionaries in my library say: **see-KREE-tive.** The adjective secretive derives from the verb to secrete, pronounced: **se-KREET.**

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Evergreen

Evergreen, July 22.- Those visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Evans Sunday were: Mr. and Mrs. Hardy Phelps and sons, Hatch" and Phillip, of Baltimore, Md.; Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Phelps and daughter, Brenda Kay, Mr. and Mrs. Ryland Phelps and son, Kenneth, Mr. and Mrs. Everette Phelps all of Lynchburg; Miss Pauline Phelps, Howard Phelps, Mr. and Mrs. Leswood Phelps and son, Ray; Leroy Chidester, Lynwood Love, Gerald Phelps, of Appomattox, and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hodge.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Gibson and son, Billy and Charlie have returned to spend some time with Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Warriner.

Ernest Farrar is ill at this writing.

Mrs. M. L. Hudson has returned home after visiting her daughter, Mrs. Emile Bruce, in Washington, D.C.

Miss Charlotte Ingo, of Roanoke is visiting her cousin, Miss Doris Garrette.

Mrs. James Evans is improving after a three-week illness.

Evergreen, July 22.- Mrs. B. E. Couch, of Richmond spent a few days last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Glover.

Mrs. W. E. Cheadle, of Prospect, spent a few days last week with her sister, Mrs. A. B. Ferguson.

Miss Lindy Warriner, who has been visiting her sister in Washington, D.C., has returned home.

Mrs. G. W. Glover continues ill at her home. Those who visited her during the week-end were Mrs. Mary Sullivan, of Lynchburg; Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Staples, Mrs. B.E. Couch, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Glover and three children and Eugene Glover and friend, and J. W. Glover, of Crewe.

This community was saddened to hear of the death of Sam Jennings. He will be greatly missed.

Miss Eulalia Glover is spending this week with her garndparents, Mr. and Mrs. George Glover.

W. J. Glover, of Crewe, visited his sister, Mrs. J. C. Staples, recently.

Bethany

Bethany, July 22.- Mr. and Mrs. P. O. Paulette visited Mr. and Mrs. Toby Inge Thursday night.

Edward Harvey visited his aunt, Mrs. Ruth Jennings on Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Meade Crews and sons, of Nathalie spent Tuesday night with Mrs. Curtis Paulette and Mrs. Katie Allen.

Mrs. David Paulette, Mrs. Phil Paulette and Mr. and Mrs. Mott Harvey attended the funeral of Mr. C. T. Tucker at Phenix, the father of Mrs. Wilson Paulette.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Paulette, of Richmond spent several days last week with Mrs. Wilson Paulette.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Joe Paulette and children, of Halifax, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. P. O. Paulette.

Miss Joyce Harris is visiting her grandmother in Lynchburg.

Miss Hazel Paulette has returned from Danville, where she visited Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Elliott.

Mr. and Mrs. Twyman Phelps and daughter visited Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Harvey Sunday afternoon.

Congressman Carl Vinson says he will retire from Congress at end of present term.

Navy may cut off 1,000 officers.

Southern Pacific rail strike ends.

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Wildlife Fares Ill in Canada

Scant Soil Resources, Bitter Cold in North Among Adverse Factors.

QUEBEC, CANADA. — Although its huge territory embraces extensive wildlife resources, Canada has not had particularly favorable wildlife conditions for centuries, it is pointed out by Dr. Harrison F. Lewis, superintendent of wildlife protection in the dominion. Principal factors affecting wildlife, however, are in part favorable, he added.

Of Canada's total land area of 3,462,000 square miles, less than 8 per cent is occupied for agricultural purposes, less than 3 per cent is privately owned forest land, and most of the remaining 88 per cent is publicly owned land, either forested or open.

Not Enough Heat.

A great deal of Canada, especially the more northern part, has not been favorable to wildlife since it was uncovered by the recession of its last great ice cap. This is principally due to two things—insufficient heat and extremely scanty soil resources. Good crops, whether of wildlife or of other produce, require adequate warmth and fertile soil, but northern Canada does not receive enough heat from the sun for such crops and, because of the character of much of its bedrock and the intensive scouring that the great ice-sheets gave it, its areas of good soil are relatively very small.

With the growth and extension of settlement in Canada, especially since development of the prairies, other adverse factors have powerfully affected wildlife. One great group of such influences, including fires, agriculture and, in some cases, the cutting of forests, has produced environmental changes unfavorable to wildlife, or to some kinds of it.

One condition that, though a negative one, has had much to do with reduction of wildlife in Canada, as elsewhere, is a lack of general public awareness of the basic value of wildlife and of what has been happening and continues to happen to this resource. This serious flaw in man's adjustment to an important part of his world seems to be as prevalent in rural areas as in the city.

Often Favorable.

However, both the cutting of forests and fire, if the latter is not too severe and thoroughly destructive, initiate a series of ecological changes that are often very favorable, for a number of years, to valuable wild creatures.

The young growth, whether suckers or seedlings, that springs up soon reaches a state of development in which it provides much more browse for deer and moose than did the mature forest that was removed. In some places and at some stages the second growth provides excellent habitat for woodcock. The extent of forest edge also may be increased, to the benefit of ruffed grouse and insectivorous birds.

It often is possible to control the cutting of forests in such a way as to produce these effects intentionally. Fires in marshes may, if conditions are right, destroy vegetation of little value to wildlife and permit more useful plants to replace it.

Agriculture may be very helpful to ducks, muskrats and some other game birds if it is carried on in such a way as to make available much waste of rich foods, such as grains and soy beans.

One of the important tools of the government movement to maintain adequate stocks of wildlife is the setting aside of various kinds of reserved areas, such as nature refuges, sanctuaries, game preserves and native hunting preserves. Canada has more than a million square miles in reserved areas.

Another tool that has been developed to aid wildlife in recent years is water manipulation by engineering, in regions where the natural water supply is often inadequate.

Travelers May Grouse— But They Also Commend

CHICAGO. — American travelers may be notorious grousers, but they also are appreciative.

In the last year, more than 3,000 of them have taken the time at the end of their trips to write letters of commendation to the Pullman company about the porters and conductors.

And how do the porters and conductors react to the passengers' praise? A New York porter recently wrote:

"Since I've been a porter, very nearly 26 years now, I have learned many things about the American people. Their almost consistent fairness is very enlightening."

Metal Diet Is Fatal to Pork Seal, Autopsy Shows

SEATTLE. — Curator Gus Knudson reported after an autopsy that Woodland park's seal, Roly Poly, apparently succumbed to metal poisoning.

The autopsy showed the seal had consumed more than 100 copper pennies, 3 nickels, 84 aluminum, plastic and brass tax tokens, 1 brass lapel insigne of the army's 2d infantry division, 2 tiny pieces of steel and a miscellaneous collection of metal washers and buttons.

Pamplin

Pamplin, July 21.- Recent guests in the home of the Rev. and Mrs. W. M. Black were Mrs. Campbell, of Greenville, Miss; Lillian Fauber, of Lynchburg and Miss Copeland Johnson, of Charlottesville.

Miss Sarah N. Dickerson, Thomas Mann and Hugh Dickerson, Jr., spent last week at Massanetta Springs attending the State B. T. U. convention.

Mrs. C. B. Gilliam, of Lynchburg is visiting in the home of her sons, Frank Gilliam and Charlie Bruce Gilliam.

Mr. and Mrs. Ryland Staples and Kermit Paulette,of Evergreen were visitors in the home of Mrs. L. M. Southall Sunday.

Miss Eliza Cleet, of St. Paul, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Martha Foster,

Miss Martha Hughes, of North Carolina is visiting her mother,Mrs. R. C. Hughes.

Mrs. C. H. McCall and daughter, Nancy Jane Hall, and R. E. McCleeny and son, Bobby, were recent guests of relatives in Newport News.

George Abbitt Terry, of Richmond is spending this week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Terry.

Mr. and Mrs. K. L. McCleeny and daughter were dinner guests in the home of Mrs. N. L. McCleeny Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Evans, of Roanoke were recent guests in the home of Mrs. C. C. Rosser.

Mrs. Clarence Welch and daughter are visiting in the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Cunningham.

Yankees far in lead in American League.

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Vera

Vera, July 22.- Miss Louise Dunn of Concord spent the week-end in the home of her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Dunn and family.

House plans group to study role of U. S. dollar in program of foreign recovery.

Donald M. Nelson in hospital.

Sixteen hurt in Pittsburgh when lightning hits streetcar.

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